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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE**  
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Applicants bring to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the documents listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08a. Copies of the documents are attached.

The following documents cited during examination in the corresponding application in Japan have come to the attention of applicants in an Official Action dated June 8, 2010. Four Japanese references have been cited, as follows:

1. JP 02-000616 corresponds to EP 0324946, which is already of record
2. JP 63-289012 corresponds to EP 0277816, which is already of record
3. JP 04-304224 English language abstract attached
4. JP 2006-503170 corresponds to WO 2004/033515

Also included in this IDS is:

5. WO 2004/011525 as the Japanese patent agent felt it may be related to the fourth Japanese citation.

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That as to items 3 & 4, I hereby state that these items of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months ago prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1).

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Respectfully submitted,

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